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DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

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IN THE MATTER OF:

MENENDEZ, CARLOS ALBERTO (National Producer No. 17855295) No. 19A-147 -INS

Respondent.

The State of Arizona Department of Insurance ("Department") has received evidence that Carlos Alberto Menendez ("Respondent") violated provisions of Title 20, Arizona Revised Statutes. Respondent wishes to resolve this matter without the commencement of formal proceedings, and admits the following Finding of Fact are true, and consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- Respondent is, and was at all material times, licensed as an Arizona resident insurance producer with a line of authority in life insurance, National Producer Number 17855295. Respondent's license expires on March 31, 2023.
- 2. Respondent's addresses of record with the Department are: 2802 N. Alvernon Way, Ste 100, Tucson, AZ 85712-1500 (business and mailing) and carlos.menendezphp@gmail.com (business e-mail).
- 3. On February 12, 2016, Respondent submitted an application for an Arizona insurance producer license ("2016 Application") to the Department.
- 4. In the 2016 Application, in Section V: Additional Information, Respondent answered "No" to the following questions:
 - C. "Have you EVER been found guilty of, have you had a judgment made against you for, or have you admitted to, any of the following: . . . 1. A

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felony (of any kind)? . . . 4. Withholding, misappropriating, converting or stealing money or property?"

- 5. Respondent signed the 2016 Application.
- 6 On July 13, 2019, Respondent submitted a renewal application ("2019 Renewal") to the Department.
- 7. In the 2019 Renewal, in Background Questions, Respondent answered "Yes" to the following question:

1A. "Have you been convicted of a misdemeanor, had a judgment withheld or deferred, or are you currently charged with committing a misdemeanor which has not been previously reported to this insurance department? You may exclude the following misdemeanor convictions or pending misdemeanor charges: traffic citations, driving under the influence (DUI), driving while intoxicated (DWI), driving without a license, reckless driving, or driving with a suspended or revoked license. You may also exclude juvenile adjudications (offenses where you were adjudicated delinquent in a juvenile court)."

- 8. In the 2019 Renewal, in Background Questions, Respondent answered "No" to the following question:
 - 1B. "Have you been convicted of a felony, had a judgment withheld or deferred, or are you currently charged with committing a felony which has not been previously reported to this insurance department? You may exclude juvenile adjudications (offenses where you were adjudicated delinquent in a juvenile court)."

- Respondent answered "Yes" to the Attestation section of the 2019
 Renewal.
- 10. On or about February 25, 2002, the Henderson Justice Court, Clark County Nevada ("Court") convicted Respondent of Petit Larceny, a misdemeanor and Forgery, a felony, in Docket No. 01FH1048X.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Director has jurisdiction over this matter.
- 2. Respondent's conduct, as described above, constitutes providing incorrect, misleading, incomplete or materially untrue information in the license application, within the meaning of A.R.S. § 20-295(A)(1).
- 3. Respondent's conduct, as described above, constitutes having been convicted of a felony, within the meaning of A.R.S. § 20-295(A)(6).
- 4. Grounds exist for the Director to suspend for not more than twelve months or revoke Respondent's insurance producer license, pursuant to A.R.S. § 20-295(A).
- 5. Grounds exist, in addition to or instead of any suspension, revocation or refusal to renew a license, for the Director to impose a civil penalty of not more than \$250.00 for each intentional failure or violation, up to an aggregate civil penalty of \$2,500.00, or impose a civil penalty of not more than \$2,500.00 for each intentional failure or violation, up to an aggregate penalty of \$15,000.00, pursuant to A.R.S. § 20-295(F).

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

Carlos Alberto Menendez, National Producer Number 17855295, shall immediately pay a civil money penalty of \$250.00 for deposit into the State General Fund.

Keith A. Schraad Director of Insurance

CONSENT TO ORDER

- Respondent has reviewed the foregoing Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.
- Respondent admits to the jurisdiction of the Director of Insurance, State of Arizona, and admits the foregoing Findings of Fact and consents to the entry of the foregoing Conclusions of Law and Order.
- 3. Respondent is aware of his right to notice and a hearing at which he may be represented by counsel, present evidence and examine witnesses.
- 4. Respondent irrevocably waives his right to such notice and hearing and to any court appeals relating to this Consent Order.
- 5. Respondent states that no promise of any kind or nature whatsoever, except as expressly contained in this Consent Order, was made to induce him to enter into this Consent Order and that he has entered into this Consent Order voluntarily.
- 6. Respondent acknowledges that the acceptance of this Consent Order by the Director is solely to settle this matter against him and does not preclude any other

agency, officer, or subdivision of this state including the Department from instituting civil or criminal proceedings as may be appropriate now or in the future not related to this matter.

7. Respondent acknowledges that this Consent Order is an administrative action that the Department will report to the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC). Respondent further acknowledges that he must report this administrative action to any and all states in which he holds an insurance license and must disclose this administrative action on any license application.

1 Oct 2019 Date

Carlos Alberto Menendez, NPN 17855295

COPY of the foregoing delivered by regular mail this day of day of ..., 2019, to:

Carlos Alberto Menendez 2802 N. Alvernon Way, Ste 100 Tucson, AZ 85712-1500 Respondent

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